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- ΤI Photonic bandgap formation and tunability in certain self-organizing systems.
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- AΒ We describe the microfabrication and band structure of large scale three-dimensional (3D) photonic bandgap (PBG) materials based on self-organizing templates. The simplest of these templates is an fcc lattice of close-packed, weakly sintered spheres. Other templates include hcp and hexagonal AB2 self-organizing

photonic crystals. These photonic

crystals may be converted into PEG materials by partially infiltrating the template with high refractive index semiconductors such as Si, Ge, or GaP and subsequently removing the template. The resulting "inverse opal" structure exhibits both a photonic pseudogap and a complete (3D) PBG in the near visible spectrum, spanning up to 15% of the gap center frequency. The local density of states (LDOS) for photons exhibits considerable variation from point to point in coordinate space and reveals large spectral gaps even in the absence of a PEG in the total density of states. These gaps in the LDOS may lead to novel effects in quantum and nonlinear optics when active atoms or molecules are placed within the PBG material. These effects include anomalous, low threshold nonlinear response, collective atomic switching, and low-threshold all-optical transistor action. When an optically birefringent nematic liquid crystal is infiltrated into the void regions of the "inverse" opal PBG material, the resulting composite material exhibits a completely tunable PBG. In particular, the 3D PBG can be completely opened or closed by applying an electric field which rotates the axis of the nematic molecules relative to the inverse opal backbone.

- A4265 Nonlinear optics; A4250 Quantum optics; A7820P Photonic band gap (condensed matter); A7820D Optical constants and parameters (condensed matter); A7820J Electro-optical effects (condensed matter)
- CT ELECTRO-OPTICAL EFFECTS; NONLINEAR OPTICS; PHOTONIC BAND GAP; REFRACTIVE INDEX; SELF-ASSEMBLY
- STself-organizing systems; photonic bandgap; tunability; microfabrication; FCC lattice; refractive index; inverse opal structure; photonic pseudogap; near visible spectrum; local density of states; low threshold nonlinear response; collective atomic switching; all-optical transistor; optically birefringent nematic liquid crystal; applied electric field